

Dear Parents / Carers,

The table below gives you information about the theme your child will be learning about for this term, each class can take a different approach to this topic, to be more specific for the group of children, your child is with. If you feel you can help us in anyway please get in touch!

<h2 style="text-align: center;">HELPERS AND HEROES</h2>			
Curriculum Subject Focus	History	Art 2D	Music
<b>Spring Term 2025</b>			
<b>Happy Centred Schools Driver: Spring 1 - Achievement &amp; Success, Spring 2 – Support</b>			
<p>The Helpers and Heroes theme is designed to develop pupils' life-long learning knowledge and skills through Music, History, and Art. Pupils will explore heroes from the past and present, as well as people and organisations who help others, and represent these ideas through 2D artwork. Music will support the theme through the exploration of adding movement, body percussion and dynamic shapes linked to superheroes!</p> <p>Consistent routines in DT and PE will support pupils' independence skills (EHCP-focused) and broaden their understanding of the wider world through imaginative, purposeful experiences. Collaborative learning will be strengthened through activities that promote togetherness and inclusivity.</p> <p>Throughout the term, sessions will have clear learning intentions connected to Music, History, or Art. Knowledge will build cumulatively towards pathway end points. In addition, learning about sports and healthy lifestyles will help pupils develop strategies that support positive mental health and wellbeing.</p>			
<b>Class Focus</b>	<p>Busy Bees will be learning about people in our community who help others including: superheroes, emergency service, community helpers and our families. In art, the children will be creating pictures and artwork inspired by superheroes and community heroes, in music, they will be making their own songs and playing different instruments and in history, the children will be learning about symbols and images linked to different helpers and heroes.</p>		
<b>Project &amp; External Visits</b>	<p>External Visit: Meadow Trip to the Little Town of Play where pupils will take part in emergency service role play.</p> <p>Special Visits from nurses, the fire engine and the police.</p> <p>We also have some fun activities planned during this theme, including a Valentine's disco, an Easter egg hunt, and a heroes fun run fundraiser.</p>		
<b>Independence Cooking</b>	<p>During Spring 1 Busy Bees will be focusing on baking different cupcakes and in Spring 2 they will learn to design and cook their own pizzas.</p>		
<b>Books</b>	<p>Ten Little Superheroes -Mike Brownlow &amp; Simon Rickerty.  All Through the Night: The People Who Work While We Sleep - Polly Faber  The Hospital Dog – Julia Donaldson  We're going on an Egg Hunt – Martha Mumford.</p>		
<b>Happy Centred School</b>	<p>Support  Achievement &amp; Success</p>		
<b>PE /Forest School / Swimming</b>	<p>Kit: PE kit on a Wednesday, Swimming kit on a Thursday.  Indoor: pupils may wear shoes, trainers or slippers with backs in and sole grips.  Outdoor: weather appropriate shoe; wellies and waterproof clothing can be sent in once and kept in school for ease.</p>		

**Key Dates:**

- School Opens 5<sup>th</sup> January 2026
- Helpers & Heroes Parent/Carers Afternoon – 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2026
- School Closes 13<sup>th</sup> February 2026
- School Re-opens 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2026
- Training Day – School closed for pupils – 9<sup>th</sup> March
- World Book Day 5<sup>th</sup> March 2026 – Optional Dress up for all pupils
- School Closes 27<sup>th</sup> March 2026
- School Re-opens 13<sup>th</sup> April 2026

As always thank you for your support

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